

Pollution over megacity regions from the Tropospheric Emission Spectrometer (TES)

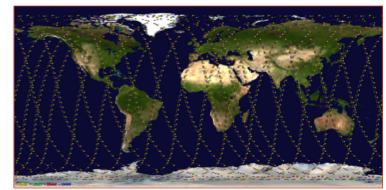
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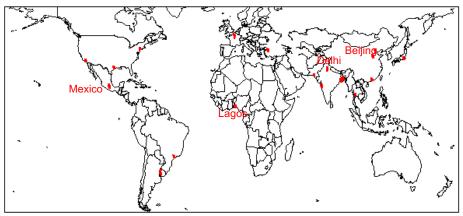
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TES measures AQ around the world

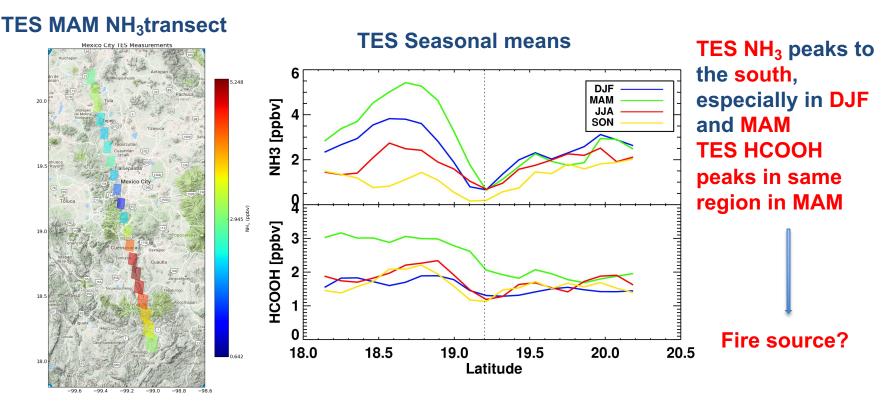
- July 2004: TES launched on AURA satellite
- Main targets: O₃ and CO
- Other species added:
 - CH₄, CO₂, NH₃, CH₃OH, HCOOH, PAN
- Global surveys carried out through 2010
 - Observations ~ 182 km apart
- Also a number of more closely spaced special observations
- January 2013: megacity observations start
- simultaneous closely spaced observations of multiple trace gases (~ 12 km apart)
- quantify urban pollution production, transformation and export.







NH₃ and HCOOH near Mexico City



Focus on air quality near the surface:

will use means of TES data over the first two or three layers above the surface

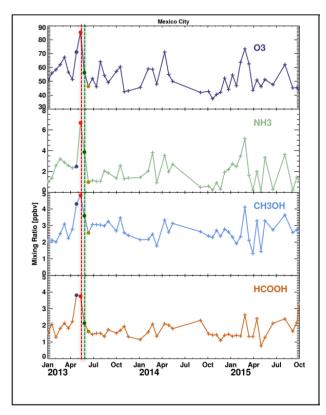


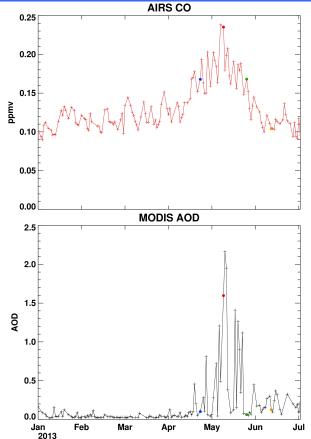
Biomass burning in Mexico

TES transect means

May 9

May 25



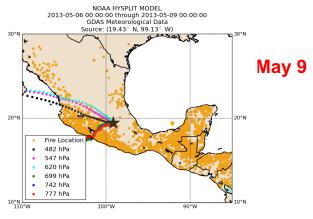


- Concomitant biomass burning products from TES (methanol, formic acid, ammonia) also point to air quality impacted by biomass burning
- Contrasting days in spring 2013 provide a case study of TES sensitivity

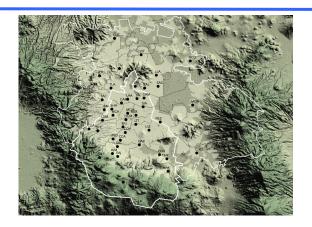


Possible BB sources

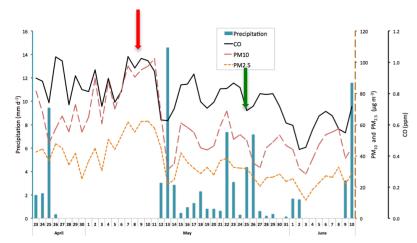
HYSPLIT four day back trajectories







SIMAT stations in the MCMA



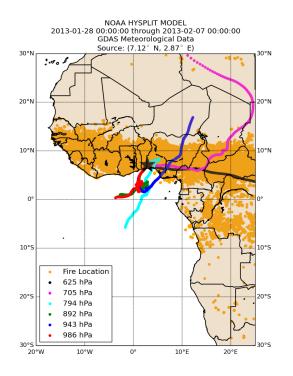
Daily means from SIMAT stations



Western Africa- Lagos

Western Africa has one of the strongest biomass burning

seasons (December-March) on Earth

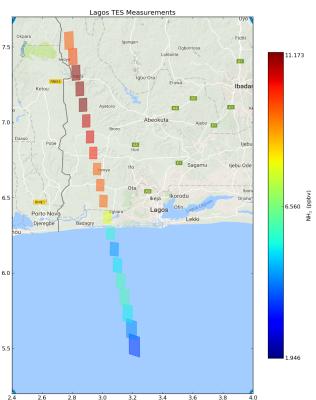


Pollution sources

- Biomass burning
- Petrochemical
- Two-stroke engines
- Generators
- Trash burning
- Traffic

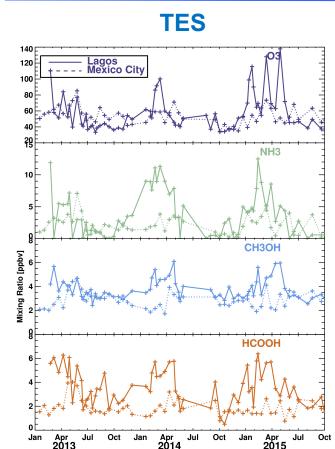
Sea breezes play important role

2015 El Nino may have also been influential





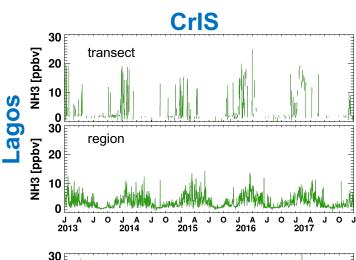
High pollution in DJF

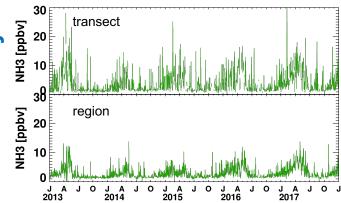


TES data suggest burning is an important driver of pollution in Lagos

... and that pollution is higher than in Mexico City

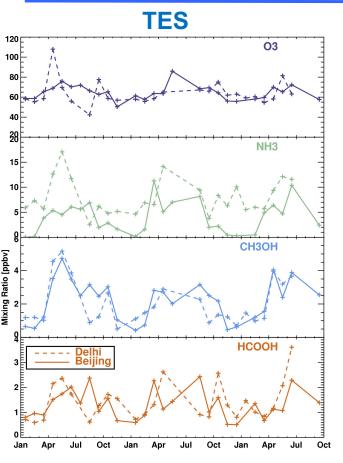
CrIS data show more persistent elevated NH3 in Lagos







A Tale of Two Cities

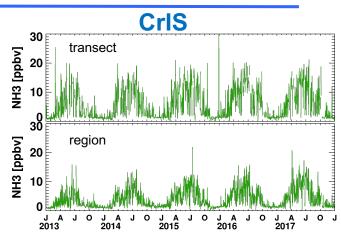


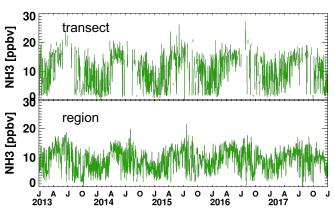
Beijing



Delhi

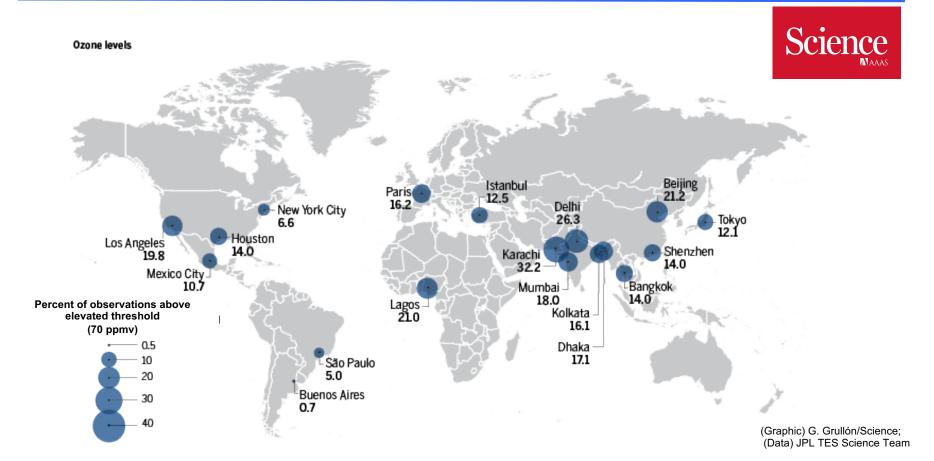






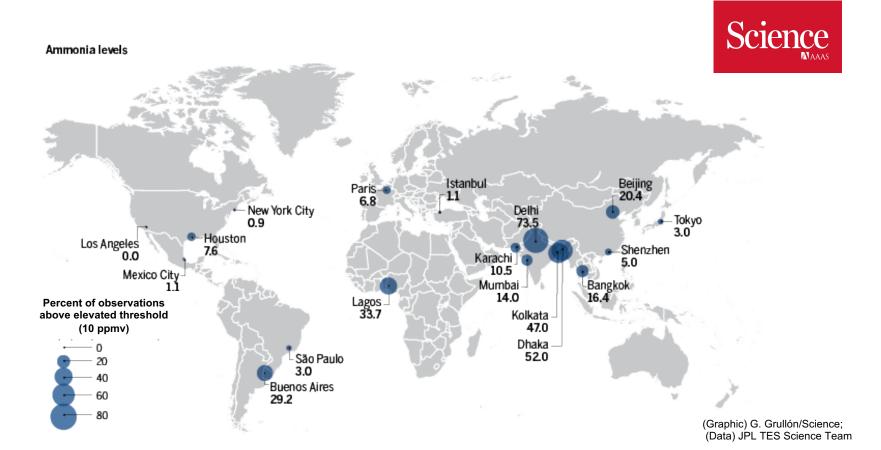


Global view – O₃





Global view – NH₃

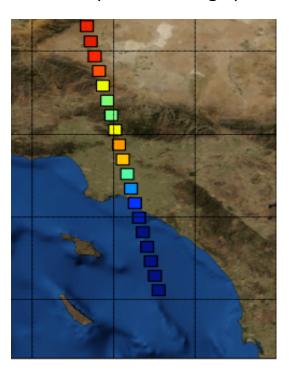


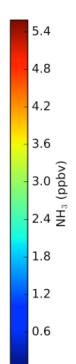




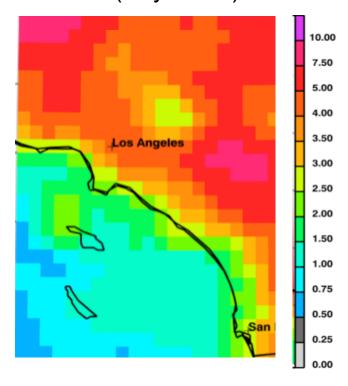
And now CrIS NH₃

TES (JJA average)





CrIS (July mean)





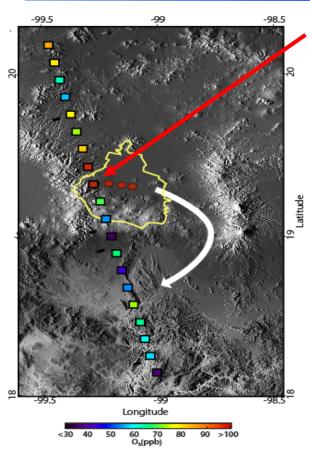
Summary

- TES has processed data from January 2013 to March 2016 over 19 megacities
- Data are closely spaced (12 km) and are taken approximately every two weeks
- Species measured: O₃, CH₄, NH₃, CH₃OH, HCOOH, HDO, PAN, CO₂
- Data point to influences of biomass burning and other pollution sources
- Also show different chemistry regimes in different cities
- Ongoing work uses the new AIRS-OMI O3 product to provide context for interpreting the TES megacity measurements
- Data are available on AVDC

Lat	Lon
13.6383	100.304
39.8543	116.386
-34.7112	-58.9112
28.957	77.4496
23.6374	90.1974
29.7203	-95.2691
40.9605	29.1336
24.6877	66.7348
22.5168	88.4081
6.57795	3.25456
34.0724	-118.146
19.1627	-99.2384
18.8821	72.8437
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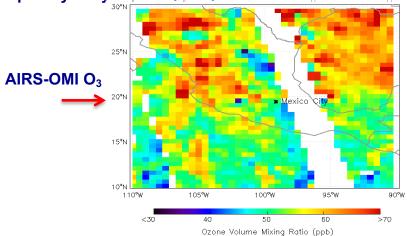


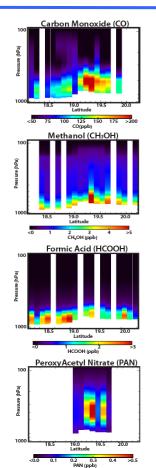
Mexico City October pollution event



Megacity Pollution: The jointly retrieved TES/OMI near-surface ozone product shows very high ozone (~120 ppb) in Mexico City on a day with stable, stagnant air in the boundary layer.

TES carbon monoxide, methanol, & formic acid (ozone precursors) are also elevated, as is the nitrogen reservoir peroxyacetyl nitrate (PAN)







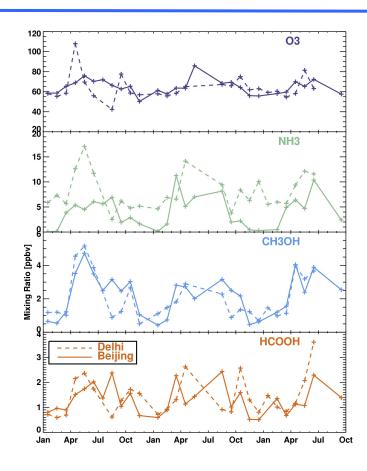
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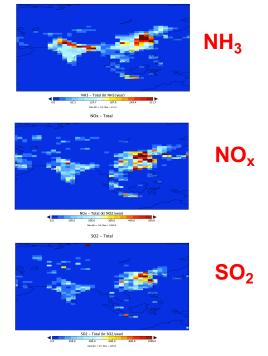


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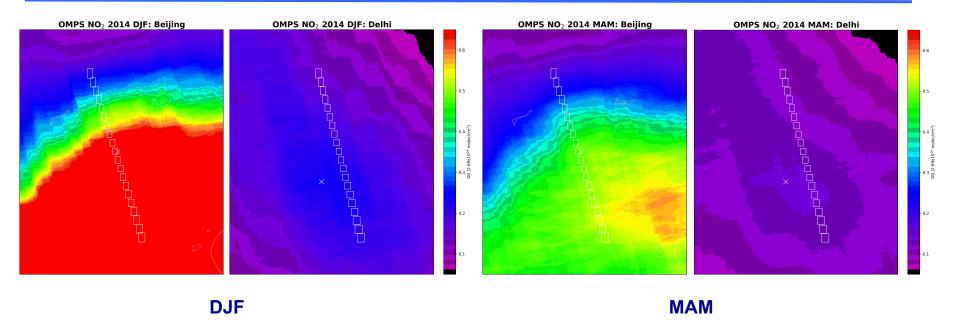
- Similar O3 and CO levels
- Why is NH₃ different?



ECLIPSE v5 emissions



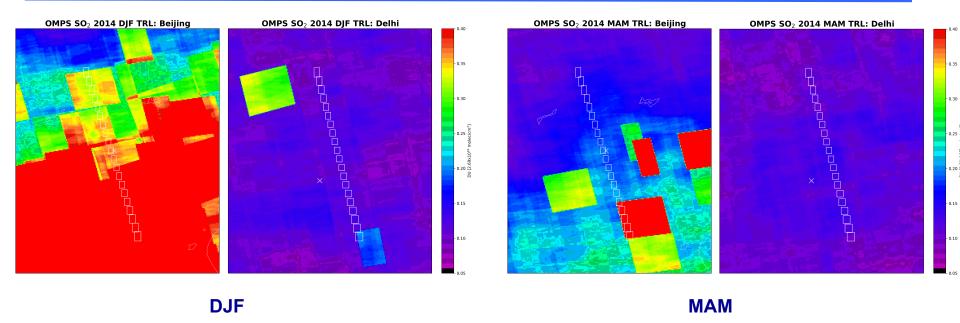
OMPS NO₂ over Beijing and Delhi



- Much higher NO₂ levels in Beijing
- Greater variability between winter and spring
- But current trend is decrease in Beijing and no increase in Delhi



SO₂ over Beijing and Delhi



- Much higher SO₂ levels in Beijing winter
- Some hotspots in Delhi winter and Beijing spring
- Expected trend is decrease in Beijing and increase in Delhi